

**THE CITY OF WARWICK
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND**

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

NO..... DATE.....

APPROVED.....MAYOR

**A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO AMEND
R.I.G.L. §44-5-67.2 REGARDING PROPERTY TAX CLASSIFICATION FOR
THE CITY OF WARWICK TO REDUCE THE MINIMUM
RATIO OF CLASS 1 TO CLASS 2 RATES**

Resolved that,

WHEREAS, the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Warwick are matters of paramount importance to the City Council; and

WHEREAS, there is currently enacted RIGL 44-5-67.2, which allows the Tax Assessor of the City of Warwick to separate property into different classes for the purpose of taxation; and

WHEREAS, as currently enacted, RIGL 44-5-67.2 imposes a limitation whereby Class 1 property tax rates shall not be less than seventy-five percent (75%) of the Class 2 property tax rates; and

WHEREAS, the City of Warwick believes that this ought to be amended so that Class 1 property tax rates shall not be less than fifty-seven percent (57%) of the Class 2 property tax rates; and

WHEREAS, such an amendment would allow the City greater flexibility in executing the revaluation and brings this provision closer in line with the general tiered tax statute, G.L. 1956 § 44-5-11.8; and

WHEREAS, the Warwick City Council desires that the General Assembly enact legislation to reduce the minimum ratio of Class 1 to Class 2 Property Tax Rates in the City of Warwick from seventy-five percent (75%) to fifty-seven percent (57%).

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Warwick respectfully requests the General Assembly to enact legislation amending R.I.G.L. § 44-5-67.2 as follows:

